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SCIENTISTS AND OTHERS IN SCIENCE-RELATED POSITIONS DETAINED OR IMPRISONED IN CHINA

Biology

CHEN Lantao, 28, marine biologist, graduate of Qingdao University's Institute of Marine Biology, former President of Graduate Student Union of Department of Marine Biology, sentenced September 2, 1989 to 18 years imprisonment on charges of "counterrevolutionary propaganda" and disturbing public order after delivering public speech in support of democracy; also involved in earlier 1986 student democracy movement (NAS source, Asia Watch, 5/30/91)

LI Shi, graduate student in biology, Nankai University (Tianjin), arrested June 1989 allegedly for writing a poster criticizing Prime Minister Li Peng (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; Amnesty International)

Geosciences

JIANG Jiliang, 27, teacher at Chengdu Geology Institute, arrested in 1989 on charges of "counterrevolutionary agitation" (Asia Watch, "Two Years After Tiananmen," 5/31/91)

WANG Xuecheng, 26, trainee fellow, Institute of Biology, Soil and Desert of Xinjiang Academy of Sciences, arrested on June 13, 1989 in Urumqi after putting up posters on June 4 crackdown (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; Amnesty International ASA 17/24/90)

Physics

LIU Gang, 29, physics graduate from Beijing University, No. 3 on government's list of "most wanted" students, arrested in June 1989 and sentenced on February 13, 1991 to 6 years' imprisonment and 2 years' deprivation of political rights on charges of "plotting to subvert the government." Spoke out for press freedom, multiparty elections and human rights and was active in earlier 1986 pro-democracy demonstrations. Reportedly held in solitary confinement for 9 months in

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Qincheng Prison and mistreated; currently reported to be in Lingyuan prison factory, Liaoning province (Asia Watch update 2/18/91; New York Times, 1/24/91, 2/13/91, 4/30/91; AI UA 2/15/91; AW 9/91)

WANG Youcai, 24, physics graduate of Beijing University, one of 21 "most wanted" students, former General Secretary of Beijing Students Autonomous Federation, arrested in mid 1989 and sentenced on January 5, 1991 to 4 years' imprisonment on charges of "counter-revolutionary propaganda and agitation" (AI UA 1/11/91; Asia Watch 1/30/91)

Engineering

LIU Shanqing, 37, computer sales engineer, British subject born in Hong Kong, arrested in December 1981 in Ghangzhou while visiting relatives of Chinese prisoners of conscience; sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment and 3 years' deprivation of political rights for "counterrevolutionary activities;" currently serving his sentence in Mei county, northern Guangdong Province (AI Newsletter June/July 1989; 1984 AI report on China; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989")

SONG Mitu, 31, graduate student in Department of Radio Engineering, Shanghai University of Science and Technology; also leader of Shanghai Students Autonomous Federation; reportedly turned himself in on June 14, 1989 and "confessed" to taking part in pro-democracy meetings (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989" & updates 6/28/89 and 7/19/89)

WANG Xinlin, 24, engineer, graduate of People's Liberation Army Engineering Institute, dismissed as PLA officer in 1988 and reportedly arrested in 1989 in Jinggangshan City (Jiangxi province) on charges of "anti-revolutionary propaganda activities" (Asia Watch update 11/15/89; NAS member; AI UA 7/6/89; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89)

ZHANG Xingming, engineer at farm machinery plant in Guiyang City, arrested on June 24, 1989 for sending "counterrevolutionary" letters to government and party leaders (AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; People's Daily; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989" & update 11/15/89; Agence France Presse 6/25/89)

ZHAO Jian, temporary employee at Xi'an Institute of Metallurgical and Architectural Engineering, sentenced to 3-4 years imprisonment for "disrupting social order" during demonstrations in Xi'an (AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989")

Technology

WU Litang, Director of Wuhan Research Center for the Application of Higher Technology, Hubei Province, arrested in December 1989 reportedly for concealing economist Wang Juntao, see below (AI ASA 17/24/90; Asia Watch, "Two Years After Tiananmen," 5/30/91)

Medicine

PU Yong, 23, medical worker at Nanjiang County Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine (Sichuan province), and Deputy Director of Liangshui Township, arrested in 1989 on charges of "counterrevolutionary propaganda and incitement" (Asia Watch update 1/2/90; AI UA 2-12-90)

SHAN Gangzhi, urologist, on volunteer medical duty in Tiananmen Square on night of June 3-4, 1989, arrested and detained since June 1989 (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; AI 4/91)

SONG Song, surgeon at Beijing Union Medical College Hospital, on volunteer medical duty in Tiananmen Square on night of June 3-4, 1989, arrested and detained since June 1989 (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; AI 4/91)

ZHAO Yiqiang, radiation research office technician at Beijing Medical University, arrested with wife and unidentified graduate student in June 1989; reportedly organized medical care for hunger striking students in Tiananmen Square (BIS 6/26/89 & 7/14/89; NAS member; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; World Journal, 6/24/89; Physicians for Human Rights newsletter summer/fall 1990; "Two Years After Tiananmen," Asia Watch, May 30, 1991)

Economics

CHEN Ziming, 38, economist and Director of Beijing Research Institute of Social and Economic Sciences (RISES); also founder, editor and publisher of now-banned Economic Studies Weekly. Sentenced on February 12, 1991 to 13 years' imprisonment and 4 years' deprivation of political rights for conducting "counterrevolutionary propaganda and agitation" and "conspiring to subvert the government." Denounced in Chinese official media as one of "masterminds" of 1989 pro-democracy movement. Previously imprisoned in 1976 after participating in demonstrations against the Gang of Four. Placed in solitary confinement for five months in 1991 in Beijing Prison No.2 (AI UA 11/30/90, 2/15/91; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; New York Times 11/28/90, 12/1/90, 2/13/91, 9/1/91)

GAO Shan, 40, economist, Deputy Director of Research Institute for the Reform of the Political System of the Communist Party Central Committee; also adviser to Research Institute for the Reform of the Economic Structure (RIRES). Arrested in June 1989 and detained in Qincheng prison; reported to have been tortured. Publicly denounced by Mayor of Beijing as supporter of "bourgeois liberalization" and for participating in meeting to protest martial law (AI/UA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; NAS member; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989")

LI Shaoyu, 40, assistant researcher in Industrial and Economics Department, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences, reportedly arrested sometime before April 1990 (Asia Watch, "Two Years After Tiananmen," 5/30/91)

LI Shengping, 42, researcher at Economics and Technology Institute (subsequently banned) and at Institute of Marxist-Leninist-Mao Zedong Thought of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), arrested in 1989; involved in earlier 1978-79 Democracy Wall Movement (Asia Watch Update on Arrests in China No.2, 2/18/91; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89)

LIU Xiaofeng, 36, Deputy Director, Research Institute for the Reform of the Economic Structure (RIRES), former head of Beijing University student association and mayor of Ge'ermu (Qinghai province), arrested in 1989, reportedly held in Qincheng Prison (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989" & update 1/2/90, Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991)

WANG Juntao, 32, economist and co-founder of Research Institute of Social and Economic Sciences (RISES), associate editor of Economic Studies Weekly, and deputy director of Beijing Young Economists Association, arrested in 1989 and sentenced on February 13, 1991 to 13 years' imprisonment and 4 years' deprivation of political rights for "counterrevolutionary propaganda and agitation" and "conspiring to subvert the government." Included on Public Security list of seven most wanted intellectuals. Earlier imprisoned in 1976 for demonstrating against Gang of Four; also supported 1978-79 democracy movement. Placed in solitary confinement for five in Beijing Prison No. 2. (AI UA 2/25/91, 2/15/91, 7/11/89; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989" & updates 11/15/89, 1/30/91 & 2/18/91; New York Times 2/13/91 and 9/1/91)

WU Jiexiang, 35, economic researcher in Communist Party Central Committee Secretariat, arrested in July 1989 after drafting speeches and writing letters critical of Chinese leaders during democracy movement, charged with "counterrevolutionary incitement and propaganda" in February

1991, held in Qincheng Prison (Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991; Foundation for Human Rights & Democracy in China, "Partial Arrest and Disappearance List," June 19, 1991)

YANG Guansan, mid-30s, economist and Deputy Director of Social Survey Department of Research Institute for the Reform of the Economic Structure (RIRES), arrested in June 1989; denounced by Mayor of Beijing for supporting "bourgeois liberalization" and participating in meeting to protest martial law, reportedly held in Qincheng Prison (AI UA 7/7/89; Asia Watch update 11/15/89 and "Two Years After Tiananmen," 5/30/91; Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991)

Social Sciences

CHEN Xuezhao, graduate student in sociology, Nankai University (Tianjin), arrested in August 1989; allegedly wrote a "Letter to all Chinese" which was posted at Beijing University (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; Amnesty International)

SUN Mingzhang, 27, vice-secretary general of Institute of USSR and East European Studies, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, arrested in summer or fall 1989, reportedly held in secret detention center at No. 5 Yin Gao Road, Shanghai (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989"; Amnesty International ASA 17/24/90)

TU Qiusheng, 35, researcher at the Institute of Philosophy and Culture of the Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences in Chengdu, arrested in June 1989 on charges of "counter-revolutionary agitation" (AAAS; Asia Watch 11/15/89; AI ASA 17/64/89)

WAN Xinjin, 32, instructor in political science at Research Institute of Ancient Law Documents of China University of Political Science and Law, and organizer and President of Beijing Citizens Autonomous Federation, reportedly turned himself in in mid-June 1989 in Pingdu County (Shandong province); described by authorities as a "ringleader" of illegal organizations (Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989" & update 11/15/89; AAAS; FBIS 6/23/89; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89)

WANG Chengzhong, 40, researcher at the Institute of Philosophy and Culture of the Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences in Chengdu, reportedly arrested in June 1989 for "counterrevolutionary agitation" (Asia Watch update 11/15/89; AI UA 7/17/89; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89)

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WANG Zhilin, 32, editor and researcher in intelligence section, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences in Chengdu, reportedly arrested in June 1989 on charges of "counterrevolutionary agitation," whereabouts unknown (Asia Watch update 11/15/89; AI UA 7/17/89; AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991)

CASES BEING CHECKED FURTHER FOR INCLUSION IN ABOVE LIST

Chemistry

CAO Jianhua, 26, chemistry graduate from Tongji University, included in government's "most wanted list" of 8/18/89, whereabouts unknown. ("Scientists Imprisoned by the Chinese Government," Committee to End The Chinese Gulag, 7/8/91)

GeoSciences

CHEN Erjin, 45, teacher, and statistician with a coal mining company, sentenced March 7, 1982 in Kunming to 10 years' imprisonment and 5 years' deprivation of political rights for "plotting to create a counterrevolutionary party." Believed to be imprisoned in Yunnan province. Previously detained in 1978 after writing "On Proletarian-Democratic Revolution" calling for a two-party system and greater democratization (Accademia Nazionale Dei Lincei; Asia Watch "Repression in China Since June 4, 1989," Amnesty International)

Engineering

JIANG Qisheng, graduate of Beijing Institute of Aeronautics and lecturer at Qinghua University and/or Beijing People's University, reportedly arrested in Beijing in September 1989 (AIASA 17/24/90)

Medicine

WANG Xuezhi, Beijing College of Chinese Traditional Medicine, arrested in June 1989 while trying to help a wounded student (HR Tribune, 4/91; AI 17/73/90)

Economics

ZHANG Wei, 30s, economics official, Chairman of Economic and Technological Zone, reportedly placed under house arrest after resigning his position in protest against imposition of martial law in Beijing (AI ASA 17/24/90; Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991)

Social Sciences

CHEN Xuanliang, 43, teacher at China Youth Politics College, whereabouts unknown, on government "wanted list" of August 17, 1989 for participating in Association of Beijing Intellectuals and inciting counterrevolution (Committee to

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End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991; Foundation for Human Rights & Democracy in China, "Partial Arrest and Disappearance List," June 19, 1991)

LIU Danhong, 27, Director of Beijing Human Resources Testing and Evaluation Center, established by Chen Ziming (see above), arrested in Wuhan in November 1989 in connection with arrest of Chen Ziming (Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991; Foundation for Human Rights & Democracy in China, "Partial Arrest and Disappearance List," June 19, 1991)

OUYANG Ping, although originally believed to be lecturer at Institute of Sociology of Beijing University, subsequently reported not to be connected to Beijing University by NAS source, arrested at end of June 1989 (AI/USA China Co-Group list, 10/30/89; Asia Watch update 1-2-90; NAS member)

WANG Haidong, employed at Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), reportedly went on trial on January 15, 1991 on charges of "agitating counterrevolutionary propaganda;" may have been released (Asia Watch 1/30/91; Foundation for Human Rights & Democracy in China "Partial Arrest and Disappearance List," June 19, 1991)

WANG Jianxin, Deputy Director of Section of Historical Preservation and Museum Science of Northwestern University in Xi'an, reportedly arrested on campus September 1989 after publicly protesting police violence against student demonstrators and calling for an investigation (Asia Watch update 2/7/90; Committee to End the Chinese Gulag, "Social Scientists," July 8, 1991)